# NEWSLETTER





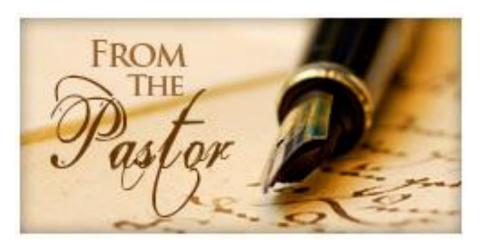
## Memorial Day Monday, May 29th

Memorial Day is for remembering the people who died while serving in the country's armed forces.

# Mother's Day Service

Sunday, May 14th 10:00am





## A Note from Pastor Seth

I enjoyed spending this last month with you as we continued through the letter of Philippians and paid close attention to the cross and empty tomb. The spring is always a special time for Christians because of the focus on the last week of Christ's This year at Eureka we recognized Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Resurrection Sunday. Good Friday and Sunday Resurrection are important to recognize because they remind us of the gospel. Two Thousand years ago the God-man Jesus died on the cross for our sins and conquered death through his resurrection. This is the gospel. The gospel is the most important piece of knowledge that anyone can know in the world. The news that Jesus died in our place to reconcile us to God is what everyone in the world needs to hear. Every human is born into this world a sinner in need of a Savior. As we go through our lives the gospel must be ever present on our minds.

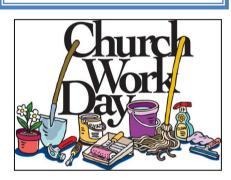
We must realize that God accepts us because of what Jesus Christ has done for us. The Christian life is not a list of do's and don'ts. Rather, it is a reliance on Christ. Obedience follows true conversion because

believers have a soul that is now alive. One's desires go from wanting to serve self to wanting to serve God. God's desires become your desires. As Psalm 37:4 says, "Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart." As you seek God the choices you make will be aligned with his will. This is the abundant life. As Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life and have it abundantly." What a wonderful life it is! It is indeed the best life possible. This life is just the beginning since once it ends you will go to be with God forever. In that place there is "fullness of joy and pleasures forevermore." All who truly believe in the Son will have eternal life (John 3:36). This is the hope that we have Eureka Baptist. community needs to hear this news. Let us believe this ourselves and share this to the surrounding community. The joy of knowing God cannot be surpassed (John 15:11). Be encouraged today by the hope that comes through Jesus Christ. Resurrection Sunday has passed but every day we must ponder and rejoice that the tomb is empty!

Grace and Peace, Pastor Seth

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Sunday Morning Service 10:00am \*Kid's Church during Service Adult Sunday School 9:00am Bible Study Wednesday 6:30pm



Church Work Day
Saturday, May 20th
Please watch the bulletin for more
information

How cool is it that the same God that created mountains and oceans and galaxies looked at you and thought the world needed one of you too.

> Bible Study Time Change Wednesdays 6:30pm

Coming this summer...
Family Fun Nights!
More information will
be in the June
Newsletter

# My Mom... Answered by First Graders

#### Why did God make mothers?

- 1. She's the only one who knows where the scotch tape is.
- 2. Mostly to clean the house.
- 3. To help us out of there when we were getting born.

#### How did God make mothers?

- 1. He used dirt, just like for the rest of us.
- 2. Magic plus super powers and a lot of stirring.
- 3. God made my Mom just the same like he made me. He Just used bigger parts

#### What ingredients are mothers made of?

- 1. God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean.
- 2. They had to get their start from men's bones. Then they mostly use string, I think.

#### Why did God give you your mother and not some other mom?

- 1. We're related.
- 2. God knew she likes me a lot more than other people's moms like me

#### What kind of little girl was your mom?

- 1. My mom has always been my mom and none of that other stuff.
- 2. I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess would be pretty bossy.
- 3. They say she used to be nice.

#### What did mom need to know about dad before she married him?

- 1. His last name.
- 2. She had to know his background. Like is he a crook?
- 3. Does he make at least \$800 a year? Did he say NO to drugs and YES to chores?

#### Why did your Mom marry your dad?

- 1. My dad makes the best spaghetti in the world. And my Mom eats a
- 2. She got too old to do anything else with him.
- 3. My grandma says that Mom didn't have her thinking cap on.

#### Who's the boss at your house?

- 1. Mom doesn't want to be boss, but she has to because dad's such a goof ball.
- 2. Mom. You can tell by room inspection. She sees the stuff under the bed.
- 3. I guess Mom is, but only because she has a lot more to do than dad.

#### What's the difference between moms and dads?

- 1. Moms work at work & work at home. Dads just go to work at work.
- 2. Moms know how to talk to teachers without scaring them.
- 3. Dads are taller & stronger, but moms have all the real power 'cause that's who you got to ask if you want to sleep over at your friend's.
- 4. Moms have magic, they make you feel better without medicine.

#### What does your Mom do in her spare time?

- 1. Mothers don't do spare time.
- 2. To hear her tell it, she pays bills all day long.

#### What would it take to make your Mom perfect?

- 1. On the inside she's already perfect. Outside, I think some kind of plastic surgery.
- 2. Diet. You know, her hair. I'd diet, maybe blue.

#### If you could change one thing about your Mom, what would it be?

- 1. She has this weird thing about me keeping my room clean. I'd get rid of that.
- 2. I'd make my Mom smarter. Then she would know it was my sister who did it and not me.
- 3. I would like for her to get rid of those invisible eyes on her back of

#### A Mother's Prayer

Taken from the May 9, 1982 bulletin

I do not ask riches for my children, Nor even recognition for their skill. I only ask that Thou wilt give them A heart completely yielded to Thy will.

I do not ask for wisdom for my children,
Beyond discernment of Thy grace;
I only ask that Thou wilt use them
In Thine own appointed place.

I do not ask for favor for my children
To seat them on Thy left hand or Thy right;
But may they join the throng in heaven
That sing before Thy throne so bright.

I do not seek perfection in my children, For then my own faults I would hide, I only ask that we might walk together And serve our Savior side by side.

Phyllis Didriksen

#### **Words About ... TIME**

Teach us to number our days that we may gain a heart of wisdom. (Psalm 90:12)

Faith in God includes faith in His timing.

YESTERDAY is gone forever; TOMORROW never comes; God places the emphasis on the NOW of TODAY.

The most important day in our lives is today.

Our main business is not to see what lies dimly at a distance but to do what lies clearly at hand. ~Thomas Carlyle

# There are enough hours in each day for us to fulfill God's perfect and particular plan for our lives.

~J. Oswald Sanders

Try it! Begin at once;
before you venture away from this quiet moment,
ask your King to take you wholly into His service,
and place all the hours of this day quite simply at His disposal,
and ask Him to make and keep you ready
to do just exactly what He appoints.

Never mind about tomorrow; one day at a time is enough.
Try it today, and see if it is not a day of strange,
almost curious peace, so sweet that you will be only too thankful,
when tomorrow comes, to ask Him to take it also,
til it will become a blessed habit.

~Frances Ridley Havergal

Trust in God's timing.

It is better to wait a while and have things fall into place than to rush and have things fall apart.

"THIS is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. (Psalm 118:24)

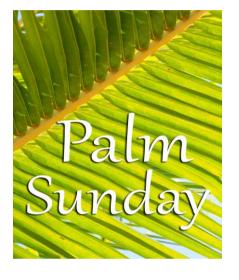
Submitted by Barb Trombley







Bottom Left: Randy & Sandy Clark on daycare duty. Left: Wave your branches! Above: Easter flowers. Right: Brunch served after Morning Service. Bottom Right: Poem read by children.











Left: Elias Anderson enjoying a dessert after Good Friday Service. Upper Left: Helen Leggitt sang a song with Abby Swanson on piano. Upper Right: Brianna Brickley sang and played on piano with Shaila Johnson on violin. Right: Mason and Jaxon Stridde also enjoy a treat.









Bridal Shower for Shauna Jorgenson Sunday, May 21st 2:00pm

#### **Banners**

If you would like to contribute to the beautiful banners that we have in the church, please talk with Shaila Johnson.

#### **Newsletter**

If you have anything you'd like to contribute to the Monthly Newsletter, please have it to Amber by the 20th of the month. j.a.lindo@hotmail.com

#### **Social Media**

Just a reminder to parents to be aware about public access to photos posted.



# **Eureka Baptist Church Vacation Bible School**

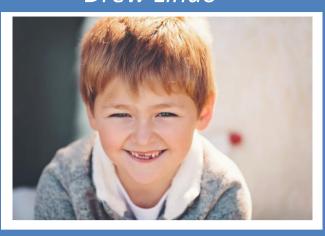
June 19-23, 5:30pm - 8:00pm Ages 3-12 years Supper Provided

At Mighty Fortress, kids learn that God is their refuge and strength. Friends may fail them. They may not ace their test or make the team, but God promises to be their rock and their salvation—their fortress and sure defense. So raise your banner! In Jesus, the victory is won!

Happy Anniversary!!
Jeremiah & Shaila Johnson - 5/20

Happy Birthday!! Roald Johnson - 5/15 Billie Webb - 5/25

# Kid's Corner Drew Lindo



Drew is the 7 year old son of Jeff and Amber Lindo. He lives in Center City, MN and is in 1st grade at Taylors Falls Elementary. Drew has 3 siblings, Sophie, Lillie and Jacob.

What is your favorite thing to do at Church?

I like to sing the songs that are at church. Sometimes I think I know them so I try to sing with everyone.

Why did God make the moon?

God made the moon so we could see a little bit more at night. The moon makes different shapes and sizes, which also makes different light.

What do you like to do at school?

I like to play outside and do science.

Are you in any activities?

I will be in softball pretty soon and at Bible School in Taylors Falls. I get to go to it this year because I'm in first grade. I will also be at our Bible School when we have it. I also help Dad farm on days I don't have school. I feed calves and water the cows. I also clean in the barn and feed grain. I really like to pet the cats, too.

What is your favorite Bible story?

I like Jesus on the Cross because he came back alive.

What is something that you do that makes Jesus smile?

Yesterday, I held the door open at school for a lot of kids when they were getting off the bus.



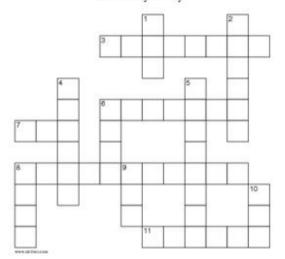
#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Church Picnic and Baptisms
Sunday, August 20th
Skonewood Christian Retreat
\*If interested in being Baptized, please see Pastor Seth



### Mother's Day

2nd Sunday in May



#### ACROSS

- 3 you should say this to your mother (3 words)
- 6 flowers and bow pinned to a blouse
- 7 mother's male child
- 8 your mother's mother
- 11 season Mother's Day is in

#### DOWN

- 1 short way to say mother
- 2 woman who gave birth to you
- 4 day of the week Mother's Day is on
- 5 mother's female child
- 6 you sign this and give it to your mom
- 8 a present
- 9 month Mother's Day is in
- 10 put your arms around her and squeeze

#### Mother's Day Word Search

Find the hidden words associated with Mom's special day.

BRUNCH GRANDMAZ AHZE CANDY Ε CARDS CARING L CHILDREN. DAUGHTERS Р DEVOTED DINNER В FAMILY FLOWERS О D FRIEND GIFTS s H U GIVING GRANDMA Q HOME HONOR HUGS KISSES Ε LAUGHTER LOVING Т S MAY MEMORIES Q MOTHER PARENT Н ROSES SUNDAY SONS TRIBUTE Q G

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# Missionary Moment:

### Ralph & Ellen Shepard - Guadalajara

Ralph was born in Muskegon, Michigan, the third of seven children, to parents who loved the Lord deeply, attended church regularly, and taught the Bible faithfully. As a teen he decided he wanted to know and follow God. He graduated with a degree in Bible theology from Moody Bible Institute where, more importantly, he met Ellen, the love of his life ever since. In 2009 he earned a masters in organizational leadership.

Born in Wyoming and growing up there and in Colorado, Ellen was raised in a Jesus-loving home and became a Christian at eight. Attending the University of Colorado as a Spanish major, she felt God's nudging toward missions. She and Ralph had met at Moody Bible Institute and after a long, mostly-correspondence dating relationship, were married in 1977 From 1985 to 2005 Ralph and Ellen lived in Lima, Peru, being part of the neighborhood and community, raising their children, two of whom were born there, and contributing to the development of two communities of Christ followers. In 2007 they moved to Guadalajara, Mexico.

#### Family:

five children: Mitchell, Anthony, Marta, April, Jeffrey **Ministry Focus:** 

Ellen enjoys teaching English and having people in her home for meals and other gatherings. She especially enjoys small group Bible studies, working with young moms, and being involved in discipleship.

Ralph enjoys expressing his love for God and others in playing sports, beginning and leading small groups, and using life coaching to help people discover and live out their unique God-given design and purpose.

Photos - Top: Wedding of daughter April. Middle: Ralph and Ellen Shepard. Bottom: "Guad Squad" meets regularly for prayer and talk about how things are progressing in their ministry.



Please join us! Saturday, May 6th 9:00am

Woman's Study Group will meet regularly. The first Saturday of every month.

Questions?

Please see Brianna Brickley or Barb Trombley



Men's Breakfast Saturday, May 13th 8:00am

Men's Breakfast group will meet regularly. The second Saturday of every month.

Questions? See Pastor Seth



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